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In re Patent Application of )  
DESAI, Shaileshkumar Ramanlal et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1616  
Application No.: 10/014,665 ) Examiner: Sabiha Naim QAZI  
Filed: December 11, 2001 ) Confirmation No.: 4860  
For: PROCESS FOR THE )  
PRODUCTION OF )  
OXANDROLONE )

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**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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In response to the Office Action mailed on September 5, 2002, please  
amend this application as follows.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claim 21 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject  
matter contained therein.

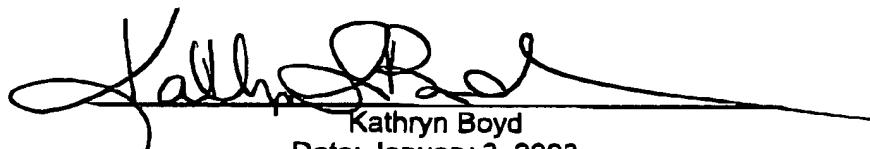
Please add the following new claims 22-32:

22. A process for the production of 17 $\beta$ -hydroxy-17 $\alpha$ -methyl-5 $\alpha$ -  
androst-1-en-3-one, the process comprising reacting mestanolone with IBX to  
form 17 $\beta$ -hydroxy-17 $\alpha$ -methyl-5 $\alpha$ -androst-1-en-3-one.

23. The process of claim 22 wherein mestanolone and IBX are present  
in a molar ratio from about 1:1 to about 1:2.

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Title: PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OXANDROLONE

## AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- ☒ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- ☐ A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for ☐ \$55.00 (2814) ☐ \$110.00 (1814) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.
- ☐ Also enclosed is/are .
- ☒ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- ☐ Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$375.00 (2801) ☐ \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- ☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, for which continued examination is requested.
- ☐ Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least \_\_\_\_\_, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- ☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.
- ☐ No additional claim fee is required.

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	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	31	MINUS 21 =	10	x \$18.00 (1202) =	\$ 180.00
Independent Claims	5	MINUS 4 =	1	x \$84.00 (1201) =	\$ 84.00
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$280.00 (1203)					
Total Amendment Fee					\$ 264.00
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